

## MABEL BECHTEL CURSED MOTHER

Witness Testifies that She  
Heard the Young Woman  
Who Was Afterward Mur-  
dered Swear at Terrible Rate.

BLOOD FOUND ON  
TOM'S FINGERS.

His Room, Too, Had Bloodstains  
and Many Exhibits Stained  
with Gore Are Produced in  
Court To-Day.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Jan. 15.—The  
Bechtel murder trial was continued to-  
day. There was another big crowd in  
and around the court.

At a signal from Capt. Schaadt, their  
lawyer, the Bechtels walked into the  
main court-room in single file. Martha  
led the procession, followed in turn by  
Mrs. Bechtel, Mrs. Brobst, Mrs. Davis,  
and John and Charles Bechtel.

Mrs. Miller was recalled by the de-  
fense this morning. She testified there  
were wagon tracks in the alley  
back of the house and tracks  
made by horses' hoofs. Mrs. Miller  
also testified that Mabel and her  
mother often quarreled. Once, when  
they had a fight, Mabel cursed her  
mother at a frightful rate. It was no  
dressing that Mrs. Miller wept telling  
Mabel she didn't treat her mother  
duly.

Wagon Tracks Not Material.  
Taken in hand against the prosecu-  
tion, Mrs. Miller admitted the wagon  
tracks in the back alley might have  
been made by wagons that passed  
through the day before and not by the  
carriage that Mrs. Bechtel alleges  
brought home Mabel's corpse.

The District Attorney asked Mrs. Mil-  
ler if she had ever heard Mabel and  
Mrs. Bechtel quarrel about her accus-  
ing with Wiesenberg, when she was en-  
gaged to Eckstein. Mrs. Miller an-  
swered: "I didn't hear them quarrel  
about that subject, but Mrs. Bechtel  
often spoke to me about it, deploring  
Mabel's conduct. She said to me  
Wiesenberg's attitude couldn't be  
honorable; that he didn't want to marry  
Mabel."

Mrs. Lizette Meand, a prepossessing  
young woman who lives next door to  
the Bechtels on the west side, was the  
next witness. The first Mrs. Meand  
knew of the tragedy was when she was  
aroused that Tuesday morning by Mrs.  
Bechtel's screams about 6 o'clock. She  
went over for two minutes and was told  
Mabel was dead. Mrs. Bechtel asked  
her to send for a girl, Martha and  
Mrs. Brobst, at the silk mill.

Heard Bechtel Door Open.  
Mrs. Meand, under direct questioning,  
testified that she saw Mabel's door  
open and closed and that she saw  
Mabel's body lying on the floor. She  
said she saw Mabel's body lying on the  
floor. She said she saw Mabel's body  
lying on the floor. She said she saw  
Mabel's body lying on the floor.

Asked how she knew the time, Mrs.  
Meand replied: "I have a clock beside  
my bed and I get awake I look at the  
clock." Mrs. Meand said that morning  
between 12:35 and 1 o'clock that morn-  
ing when she saw Mabel's body lying  
on the floor, stating that the Bechtel  
had been seven days.

Mrs. Meand was quietly positive and  
gave her testimony directly. Its tone  
was not friendly to the Bechtels and  
Mrs. Bechtel cried while it was deliv-  
ered.

Walter Hartzell, a young man of  
about twenty-two, who lives with his  
sister, Mrs. Meand, in the house next  
door to the Bechtels, said he got home  
at 9:15 Monday night with four friends  
and they played cards. Hartzell re-  
mained up until about 1 o'clock, when  
he went to bed. He heard the back door  
of the Bechtel house opened and closed.  
The original door was closed, and he  
which she has persistently adhered to,  
that she saw the carriage in which she  
alleges Mabel's body was brought home  
at 12:15, although Hartzell said he was  
in the back yard just about that time  
and neither saw nor heard anything.

Mrs. Bechtel continued to weep while  
Hartzell testified.

Exhibits Stained with Blood.  
Dr. F. B. Schelver, Coroner of Lehigh  
County, testified to the fact that the  
Bechtel house Tuesday morning, Oct.  
27, and arrived about 7:45. He described  
at length the wounds he found. His  
statement showed that Mabel Bechtel  
was murdered in a manner inexplicably  
brutal.

Q. Did you know Tom Bechtel? A.  
Yes.

Q. What did you know him? A. Yes.  
Dr. Schelver and I examined him very  
carefully. He was killed at mid-  
night on Wednesday.

Q. What did you find? A. We found  
traces of blood on his fingers. On every  
one of his fingers and on one thumb.  
We found the blood under the nails.  
Tom was greatly excited and his heart  
beat very rapidly.

The Coroner identified the bloody  
clothes taken from the body of the girl.  
He was then called upon to identify  
the blood-stained bedclothing found in  
Tom's room, the sheets and the pillow-  
cases. In the wash-bucket the Coroner  
said he found a wet washing and  
stained, several moist blood-stained  
aprons and other bloody things.

The District Attorney displayed the  
blood-stained father's hatchet with  
freshly broken handle. The Coroner  
recognized it as the instrument he and  
the officers found in the Bechtel house.  
Lawyer Schmitt and Martha Bechtel  
got close to the Coroner, the girl ex-  
amining all articles eagerly. Mrs.  
Bechtel remained in her seat with closed  
eyes.

Blood in Tom's Room.  
The District Attorney then questioned  
the Coroner about the finding of blood  
stains in the spare room and Tom's  
room on the second floor of the Bechtel  
house.

The attorney for the defense objected  
to the witness using the term blood  
stains unless he was very sure they  
were blood stains.

"I am sure," replied the Coroner.  
He said the blood stains were over  
the carpet, wall and washboards and  
on the floor under the carpet.

The first day Tuesday there was in  
the spare room a blood-stained ingrain  
carpet. The next day there was in the  
room a rag carpet. Search was made  
and the bloody ingrain carpet was found  
rolled up in a corner and a board and  
a father's hatchet, like the one in evi-  
dence, and the Coroner's report struck  
the board with it several times squarely  
and obliquely.

The Coroner testified that the external  
appearance of the wounds on the  
girl's head which caused the fractured  
skull corresponded to the marks he had  
made on the board.

The afternoon session was devoted to  
the defense to an effort to prove that  
"Tom" Bechtel committed suicide not  
because he had killed his sister, but  
because he was not permitted to at-  
tend her funeral. It was also brought  
out that Mrs. Bechtel displayed great  
grief over the death of Mabel.

To Cure Grip in Two Days.  
Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause,  
rests the genuine cure for the full name.

## MRS. BECHTEL, ON TRIAL AS ACCESSORY TO MURDER.



## CZAR TO FORCE FLEET THROUGH

Determined to Have His War-  
ships Pass Through Darda-  
nelles and Will Press Turkey  
for Consent.

BERLIN, Jan. 15.—That Russia has  
applied to Turkey for permission to  
send her Black Sea fleet through the  
Dardanelles is confirmed authoritatively  
here, and it is also asserted that Russia  
will renew the application and press  
for Turkish consent.

Germany's attitude, as at the time the  
four unarmed Russian torpedo boats  
destroyers passed through the straits,  
September, 1902, is that she has no con-  
cern in the matter.

The British Government is believed  
here to have identified itself more fully  
week by week with the Japanese position,  
until now Great Britain is almost  
as deeply committed as Japan.

The position in which Great Britain  
now stands, according to the view taken  
of the situation here, brought about by  
public opinion and by the feeling that  
Russia would yield if only a firm atti-  
tude were shown, has impressed and  
is impressing the Russian statesmen.

The readiness with which the United  
States associated herself with Japan in  
pressing for the signature of the com-  
mercial treaties with China is another  
fact contributory to the feeling in St.  
Petersburg that this is not the moment  
to fight.

The decision for war or peace now  
rests with the Czar's advisers, and  
symptoms are visible here that the de-  
cision will be peace, by largely admit-  
ting Japan's demands.

The views of the British officers, par-  
tially derived from the Foreign Office  
in London, are looked upon here not  
only as significant, but as also being  
part of a great diplomatic game against  
Russia, and in that sense are somewhat  
discounted.

The skill Japan has shown through-  
out the negotiations excites admiration  
at the German Foreign Office.

## ENGLAND HAS NOT WARNED RUSSIA.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The report pub-  
lished in the United States by a news  
agency to the effect that the British  
Government had notified Japan that any  
attempt of the Russian Black Sea fleet  
to pass the Dardanelles would be  
checked by decisive action is untrue.

Foreign Secretary Lansdowne to-day  
expressed disbelief that Russia had any  
intention of trying to send a fleet  
through the Dardanelles, adding that  
it would be an obvious breach of treaty  
in which Great Britain could not possi-  
bly acquiesce.

## HELD ON CRIMINAL CHARGE.

Dr. Ormsby Charged with Perform-  
ing Criminal Operation.  
Dr. Robert Ormsby, forty-six years  
old, of No. 11 East Twenty-eighth  
street, was arraigned in Morrisania  
Court to-day, charged with performing  
an illegal operation on Sadie Rosen-  
thal, nineteen years old, of No. 839  
East One Hundred and Fifty-second  
street. She is a patient at Lebanon  
Hospital.

Assistant District Attorney Ker-  
nochan represented the prosecution. Dr.  
Ormsby was released in \$3,000 bail for  
further examination Tuesday next.

## COHEN IS MAYOR'S MARSHAL.

Mayor McClellan Appoints Worker  
in Keenan's District.  
Mayor McClellan to-day appointed  
Solomon Cohen Mayor's Marshal. Cohen  
is an active lieutenant in the Sixteenth  
Assembly District, of which City  
Chamberlain Patrick Keenan is leader.  
It was through the instrumentality of  
the City Chamberlain that Cohen re-  
ceived his appointment.

## LOOKING FOR TWO LUST BOYS.

The local police have been asked by  
Charles H. Thomas, of the Savoy Thea-  
tre, in this city, to look for Ray L.  
Sanderson and Harold Warner, of  
Pittsburg, Mass., who disappeared from  
that place several days ago. The boys  
are fifteen years of age and ran away  
from home. Their parents are friends  
of Mr. Thomas and it was at their re-  
quest that he asked the police to as-  
sist in finding them.

## GIRL SHOT DOWN BY HER FIANCE

Margaret Nevils Dying in Hos-  
pital from Wounds Inflicted  
by William Carpenter, Who  
Fired Three Times.

SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., Jan. 15.—  
Miss Margaret Nevils, one of South  
Norwalk's prettiest girls, is dying in the  
South Norwalk Hospital from bullet  
wounds inflicted by her fiancé, William  
Carpenter, of Stamford. Her mother  
had objected to the marriage of the  
couple on account of their youth and he  
asked her to elope.

They were walking along the street  
last night. Those who noticed them  
just before the shooting said that Car-  
penter appeared to be pleading with the  
girl. She kept slowly shaking her head  
in response to his questions.

"I am going to ask you to do as I  
say for the last time," he said in a  
low voice that was quivering with  
suppressed emotion. "I want you to  
think carefully before you answer, for  
on your word depends more than you  
may realize."

The girl gazed up into his face with  
a slight smile. She had not the slight-  
est suspicion that he intended to harm  
her. For a full minute she looked into  
his eyes as though searching his mind  
for some hint of what he intended to  
do if she answered in the negative.

Thought Mother Knew Best.  
Then she slowly shook her head, at  
the same time saying:

"I think my mother knows what is  
best. I shall do as she says."  
Carpenter drew a revolver.  
"Oh, Will, what are you going to do?"  
cried the girl.

The young man took quick aim and  
fired. The bullet entered her stomach,  
and she lurched forward. Carpenter  
quickly fired again. The second bullet  
entered her left lung. A third shot  
rang out, but this time the young man's  
aim was not so good and the bullet  
tore its way through the girl's cheek.  
She sank unconscious to the sidewalk.

Ran Into Policeman's Arms.  
Carpenter stood a moment irresolute.  
Then he turned and fled, crossing a va-  
cant lot to another street. There he  
ran into the arms of a policeman.

Miss Nevils was taken to the hospi-  
tal. As soon as she recovered con-  
sciousness Carpenter was taken to her  
bedside for the purpose of identification.  
Remorse had overcome him completely,  
and he stood before the girl with tears  
couring down his cheeks.

Miss Nevils looked up at him and  
faintly nodded her head as the police-  
man asked if Carpenter was the man  
who had shot her.

## FRANCE THREATENS TO NAME BISHOPS

Curt Note to Pope Pius States  
that Selections Made for Va-  
cant Sees Will Be Announced  
if Not Approved.

ROME, Jan. 15.—The French Govern-  
ment has presented the Vatican with a  
note, in the nature of an ultimatum,  
regarding the appointment of bishops  
to five vacant French sees, substantially  
saying that either the Pope must ap-  
prove the selections of the French Gov-  
ernment or they will be announced of-  
ficially without the approbation of the  
Holy See.

In addition the Papal Nuncio will  
be asked to leave Paris and the clergy will  
be forbidden to collect Peter's pence in  
the churches, but the Concordat will  
not yet be denounced.

The rumor that the Pope had decided  
to approve the appointments is incor-  
rect. The Vatican hopes to be able to  
continue the negotiations.

## DEAD IN ROOM TWO WEEKS.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Jan. 15.—Fred-  
erick H. Fawcett, aged fifty-seven, a  
prominent resident of Ogdensburg, was  
found dead in his bachelor apartments  
to-day. He had been missing since  
Jan. 4. Heart disease is attributed as  
the cause of death.

## SEARCH CREEK FOR GIRL'S BODY

Break Ice and Drag Stream for  
Anna Newkirk, Who Disap-  
peared After Quarrel with Her  
Sweetheart.

LEFT HOME DURING  
STORM, LIGHTLY CLAD.

Said She Was Going to Visit a  
Neighbor, but Did Not Do So,  
and Has Not Since Been  
Seen.

SALEM, N. J., Jan. 15.—In the hope  
that the body of Anna Newkirk might  
be found in the creek here the ice  
was broken and the bottom dragged to-  
day, but so far without success.  
Searching parties by dogs, have  
scoured the woods and thickets for  
miles around in vain for some trace  
of the young woman who disappeared  
after a quarrel with her sweetheart.

It is thought that Miss Newkirk  
killed herself in despair after the quar-  
rel, and her grandfather, with whom  
she lived, is almost frantic. Miss  
Newkirk was twenty years old. For  
years she made her home with her  
grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Washing-  
ton B. Ridgeway, a wealthy old Quaker  
couple, who are among the most sub-  
stantial residents of the county. Re-  
cently her grandmother died and the  
girl seemed much depressed.

For some time neighbors say, a  
young man, a stranger to this section,  
has been attentive to the girl. They  
say her grandfather objected to her re-  
ceiving him. Three weeks ago she said  
to Mr. Ridgeway that she had broken  
off with him. She told her grandfather  
that he need give no further thought  
to the young man's attentions to her.

Since then the young woman has  
seemed melancholy. At times she went  
about the house as if in a dream. She  
told her grandfather Tuesday night she  
was going to a neighbor's, only a few  
steps away. She had on a tea gown.  
Although it was snowing heavily she  
put on no wraps but a flannel shawl  
and a crocheted wool head-dress, and  
even left her overshoes behind. She  
had no money.

She did not return that night, but  
Mr. Ridgeway thought she had de-  
clined on account of the storm to re-  
main at the neighbor's house. He  
found Wednesday that she had not ap-  
peared the night before at the neigh-  
bor's. Mr. Ridgeway on Wednesday  
visited every one in the vicinity to  
whom the girl might have gone, with-  
out finding trace of her.

The young man was sought for in  
order to question him as to when last  
he had seen Miss Newkirk. Although  
he had been seen in the neighborhood  
on Wednesday after the girl's disap-  
pearance he could not be found.

## NOORDLAND IN PORT AT LAST

Captain Explains that Red Star  
Liner Broke an Eccentric  
Strap on Her Engine 500  
Miles Out of Queenstown.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—The Red  
Star line steamship Noordland, Liver-  
pool for Philadelphia, passed in the  
Delaware Breakwater at 10:05 o'clock to-  
day, being five days overdue. The de-  
lay, as reported by Capt. Roberts, was  
due to the breaking of an eccentric  
strap on the engine.

The captain said the accident occurred  
when the Noordland was about five  
hundred miles out from Queenstown.  
She was experiencing heavy weather,  
and during the severe pitching the strap  
snapped. The big steamship was  
hove to for two days for repairs, and  
later proceeded under "headway repairs."

During the time the vessel was in a dis-  
abled condition she fell in with the  
British steamship Cornishman, which  
sailed from Liverpool on Dec. 21 for  
Portland, Me. This was on Jan. 2.  
Capt. Roberts signalled that the  
Noordland was unmanageable, but did  
not ask for aid from the Cornishman.  
At this time the repairs were almost  
completed, and on the following day  
the Noordland proceeded at about two-  
thirds speed.

There are 239 passengers on the ves-  
sel, and during the time required to  
make the necessary repairs there was  
practically no excitement.

Capt. Roberts signalled to the pilot-  
boat that all on board are well and  
that the damage to his vessel was but  
slight.

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liver some time ago, and I have no  
doubt that my kidneys were also af-  
fected. A friend advised me to try  
Swamp-Root, and I did. I was greatly  
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strong and well.

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Assistant Foreman Nassau News  
Co., Mail Drivers' Union, 16 Spruce  
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Dec. 14, 1903.

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tude to Dr. Kilmer & Co. for the  
good it has done me.

Edward J. Kuss  
1623 Ave. A.  
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Gentlemen: I had been annoyed  
with kidney and bladder troubles for  
several years. About three months  
ago I tried your Swamp-Root and  
was relieved in a short while. I used  
three bottles and am entirely cured.

J. Brotherton  
3404 Jamaica Ave.,  
Richmond Hill, L. I.  
Financial Secretary Brotherhood  
of Painters, Paperhangers and De-  
corators of America, Local 1935, Rich-  
mond Hill, L. I.

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done me a great deal of good, and  
gave me strength and made me well  
again. The pain I had in my back  
has disappeared. I had kidney trou-  
ble. Two bottles of Swamp-Root did  
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Nov. 25, 1903.  
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of great value to me in a case of  
serious kidney trouble. I had a se-  
vere pain in my back and after tak-  
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brought about by Swamp-Root.

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Almost every one, from personal experience, knows that the effects  
of any kind of severe physical strain are felt, first of all, in the small  
of the back—in other words, in those Vital Organs, the Kidneys. This is  
true in the case of the very powerful man as it is with one of less strength,  
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causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, fatal results are sure to  
follow.

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all the other organs. When this Wonderful Discovery can put the human  
body into condition to stand the hard training and the tremendous strain  
of the prize-ring, it is easy to understand how it has cured thousands in  
the more ordinary and less strenuous walks of life.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take, and is used in the leading hospitals,  
recommended by physicians in their private practice, and is taken by  
doctors themselves, because they recognize in Swamp-Root the greatest and  
most successful remedy that science has ever been able to discover or  
compound.

No matter how many doctors you have tried—no matter how much money you may have spent on other medicines, you really owe it to  
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coming well again.

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and women cured. The value and success of Swamp-Root is so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In writing to Dr. Kilmer &  
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ble. Two bottles of Swamp-Root did  
me so much good that I did not fin-  
ish the third bottle.

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